

Jose A. Montemayor House (Carlos Vela House)
601 Zaragosa Street
Laredo
Webb County
Texas

HABS No. TX-3292

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PHOTOGRAPHS

HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

STATE Texas	COUNTY Webb	TOWN OR VICINITY Laredo
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Jose A. Montemayor House		HABS NO. TX-3292
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Carlos Vela House		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 601 Zaragosa Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1927	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Fine example of Italian Renaissance Revival Style utilized in the southwest during the twentieth century. Exemplifies more refined stylistic details than many local buildings.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Renaissance Revival		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Loading bearing brick walls covered with stucco scored to resemble 12"x24" masonry blocks.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular. 40' (5 bay front) X 80' with additions.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Arcaded portico on North (front) elevation with corinthian column Porte cochere on east elevation. Arched openings with stucco designs. Concrete parapet surrounds roof, originally used as terrace. Concrete terrace and steps on rear (south) elevation adjacent to addition.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Center hall plan. Rear spiral stair provides access to roof.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Apartments added to southwest and southeast corners, ca. 1928, covered with unscored stucco.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Demolished		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE These records were prepared by the General Services Administration in compliance with Executive Order 11593 and a Memorandum of Agreement with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) National Register of Historic Places inventory form prepared for Determination of Eligibility, August 1975.		
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